

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 12

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's present health problems and pending health crises require firm executive action; and

WHEREAS, the present fragmentation in the planning, organization and delivery of health care must be resolved; and

WHEREAS, the need of the Governor for coordinated, responsive health policy advice must be met;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PATRICK J. LUCEY, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby Order and Direct:

1. That a State Health Policy and Program Council be established (hereinafter referred to as the "Council").
2. The Governor, or his representative, will serve as chairman of the Council, and the Governor shall appoint the members of the Council.
3. The Council will be composed in such a manner as to meet the Advisory Council requirements of Federal Legislation for Comprehensive Health Planning, Developmental Disabilities, Hospital Construction, Mental Health Centers Construction and Facilities for the Mentally Retarded.
4. The office of the Secretary of the Department of Health and Social Services will be responsible for program administration and is designated as the sole state agency for the Administration of these programs.
5. The Council will develop annually a recommended Health Plan for Wisconsin, which fully coordinates state level plans presently developed separately for hospital construction, mental health centers and programs, facilities and programs for the developmentally disabled and comprehensive health planning and public health services.
6. The Council will advise the Governor and the appropriate state agencies regarding the development and coordination of plans and work programs under these various laws, and review and advise the Governor concerning plans and programs developed.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 2nd day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one.